

THOMAS-ELIZABETH

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Hanks Family

Virginia

Thomas & Elizabeth Hanks

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sources

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6 March, 1902

My dear Mr. Slagle:

I am much obliged for your letter. It corroborates what I believed; namely, - that there is enough dogged Hanks blood in some of us to push this thing through. From two other members of the family - have had similar offers of assistance and am enough encouraged to make a beginning at any rate.

Will you help out to the extent of putting yourself in communications with all the members of your grandfather ^{Abraham} ~~Abraham's~~ children's families and get the data now lacking and see how many of those now living will purchase a copy of the genealogy?

Of this branch of the family, I have very few records. The record which I have is that ^{Abraham} ~~Abraham~~ was born March 1, 1800, in Amelia County Virginia, and had the following children:

Elizabeth
Mary
Susanna
George Washington
Rebecca Harriet
Joseph Oliver
Thomas J.
William Henry
Sarah Jane
Isaac Turner
Martha
Emily M.
Austin Jerome:
Linda D. (what does D. stand for?)

Of these children I only know that Elizabeth was born Nov. 17, 1825, married and lived in Vienna Cross Roads, Ohio, where was she ~~xxx~~ born? Whom did she marry? When did she move to Virginia Cross Roads? Is she living or when did she die? The names of her

children and their children. Whom they married and when. What are their occupations and residences.

I only know that Mary was born Apr. 9, 1827. Susanna, Apr. 9, 1828. George, Oct. 7, 1829. Rebecca June 24, 1831. Joseph Feb. 6, 1833. Thomas, Feb. 12 (?). William Aug. 11, 1836 (and lives in Tazeburg, Ill.) Sarah, March 13, 1838. Isaac Aug. 5, 1839. Martha July 17, 1841. Emily Apr. 5, 1847. Of these we ought to have the same data as I have asked of Elizabeth's branch.

Of Austin Jerome, I know he was born in Clark County, Ohio (what town?) Apr. 1, 1844; that he married Sarah C. Caldwell, daughter of Mary A. and John T. Caldwell of Catawba, Ohio, March 2, 1865; that he now lives in Wilmington, Ohio; that he has two children, Clara born March 29, 1866 and Laura born Apr. 25, 1869, who married Louis J. ¹²Swert, Nov. 30, 1893 and lives in Springfield Missouri.

That your mother married John W. Siagle (date) and that your two brothers and yourself were born in Vienna Cross Roads, Oliver Sept. 24, 1878, who died Nov. 3, 1878; Aaron born Jan. 20, 1880, and that you were born Nov. 6, 1882.

Am I asking too much, as it means a lot of work?

By putting your self into communication with these branches, you will soon learn who are enough interested to want a copy

f the whole genealogy.

If you do not find this too much work, may I ask you
later to help me with other branches whose records are incomplete?

Yours very truly,

Colby Kans April 15th 1940
368 W 3rd St Colby Kans.

Dr. Lewis A Warren.

Fort Wayne Ind.

Dear Sir,

As I have had the information that you are collecting all the Hanks and Lincoln history So I thought that I would write to you about it. I am loving for a very old lady. and she said that her Grandfather Thomas Hanks^{was} a brother to Abraham Lincoln mother. I have got some of the history and would like to have all that I can get. I do this because I love this old Grandmother and want to learn all that I can of Mr Lincoln for he was a Great Man. Now if you would like to help me. I will appreciate it very much. and may^{be} I could help you with some. ^{to} hoping to hear soon from you this Grandmother is 94 years old. I think that

she is the oldest living of the Hanks-
the next oldest is Mrs Elizabeth Boyce
of San Diego Calif. she is 88 years old.
this grandmother name is Emily Hanks
Truman. can you tell me anything about
Nancy Hanks Lincoln? Who did she go to
Ky with? can you tell me something of
her education. And I want to know if
you know who Abner Hanks father
was I will thank you again.

your Truly

Mrs Andrew Duden-

Thomas Hanks
g.w. Emily Truman

April 26, 1940

Mrs. Andrew Duden
360 West Third Street
Colby, Kansas

Dear Madam:

I am very glad indeed to get in touch with you especially because of the fact that you are in touch with a very old lady who is a granddaughter of Thomas Hanks.

There is one thing which we are very anxious to discover if we can, and that is what county in Virginia the Hankses came from into Kentucky, when the party came and how many there were in that Hanks party who came out of Virginia into Kentucky. We have as yet been unable to find out anything about the early migration.

I am sending you under separate cover a little bulletin I have published on the Hanks family and next month I hope to have one on the mother of Abraham Lincoln.

We will be pleased indeed to hear from you with respect to whether or not there are any old Hanks family Bible that might contain information we would like to have. We have a tremendous lot of material gathered about the Hanks family and some day we hope to publish a book on the family, although not in the very near future.

Very truly yours,

LAW:EB

Director

Mrs Andrew Duden

360 W. 3rd St.

Colby Kans.

Mr A. D. Chidsey

Eastern Penn.

Dear Sir -

I am writing to you in regards to the history of the Hanks family. And you ~~will~~ maybe very much surprise, about this letter. That I am writing you. And would like to get in touch with you. especially because of the fact. That I am taking care of a very dear old Lady a Granddaughter of Thomas Hanks. ~~and~~ a daughter of Absolum Hanks. her name is Emily M. Hanks Trummon. ~~and~~ ^{she} was 94 years old the 5th of April and she was born in Ohio. but her father come from Virginia. and I am trying to get all of the history that I can. her Grandfather Thomas Hanks was a brother to Nanney Hanks the mother of Dear Abraham Lincoln. That's why I am trying so hard. And it is very hard to get ~~any~~ much of the history from her. for she has forgotten a lot of it. but she is remarkable good for her age. and she is very deaf to. So please help me some if you possible can. I sure will appreciate it very much. I have some of it gather up. but I want to know who her Grandfather Thomas Hanks father was. and who ~~Abner~~ Abner Hanks is, and also Peter Hanks is, and ~~to~~ who their father's where. And if you know how many sisters and brothers her father Absolum had and what their names were. Hoping to hear soon of you indeed with respect to whether or not there are any old Hanks family Bibles that might contain information that we would like to have. Thank you. Mrs Andrew Duden

May 24, 1940

Mrs Andrew Duden,
360 W. 3rd Street,
Colby,
Kansas

My dear Mrs Duden:-

I have your interesting letter of recent date.

In tracing the ancestors of my wife I can back into a family of Hanks who were located in Maryland. They then migrated to Virginia and then into western Pennsylvania.

While there were some branches of this family which I could not or did not follow through I never found any connection of this Hanks family with the Hanks family which produced President Abraham Lincoln.

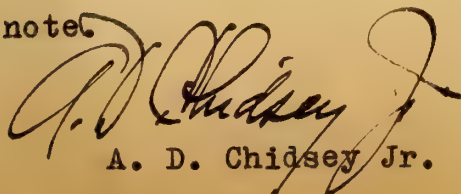
Under these circumstances I will be unable to aid you in any manner. I have taken the liberty of sending your letter to Mr. Louis Warren, of the Lincoln Foundation at Ft. Wayne, Indiana, who might be able to send you some information.

With kindest regards, I am,

Very sincerely,

Dr. Louis A. Warren:-

Please note.


A. D. Chidsey Jr.

May 24, 1940.

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